

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Hiroki SAKAKIBARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1618

Application No.: 10/676,270

Examiner: Jagadishwar Samala

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**RESPONSE**

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this Response to the September 26, 2006 Office Action.

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